

In the Specification:

Paragraph [0030], line 17

after "Tapered protrusion 18." Insert "The microfluidic system 10, as shown in Fig. 1 and 1A, the first substrate, 8 consists of atleast one peak, 18 protruding from the second surface of the substrate. The through-hole, 20 of the first substrate is in fluid communication with the tip of the peak, 18."

Paragraph [0031], line 1

Before "Protrusion 18 align substantially with through holes 16.

In a preferred embodiment, top"

insert "As shown in Fig. 1 and 1A, the microfluidic through-holes, 20 of the first substrate, 8 each reach the second surface at a peak, 18 protruding therefrom. The peak, 18 of the first substrate is operable to be partially accommodated within the microfluidic through-hole, 16. Each peak, 18 of the first substrate, 8 is operable to be at least partially accommodated within the microfluidic through-hole, 16 of the second substrate, 14 to make contact with the liquid, 24 retained therein."

Paragraph [0019], line 12

change "lip" to "collar"

Paragraph [0032], line 14

change "lip" to "collar"

Paragraph [0032], line 16

change "lip" to "collar"

Paragraph [0032], line 19

change "lip" to "collar"